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COMMENDATION.

Inspectors Un How Fan and Wong Kwong Tin are commended by the Captain Supdt. of Police for intelligence displayed in a recent forged Kwong Sang Bank note case.

WOULDED POLICE.

Recruit Troopers 683 Macdonald and 751 Gardiner are passed for Enlistment. P.O. 808 Sany is transferred to this unit from No. 2 Platoon.

WEEKLY POLICE SCHOOL.

Monday, Dec. 18th.—Class I. (Chief Inspector Kerr).
Tuesday, Dec. 19th.—Class II. (Inspector Gordon).
Thursday, Dec. 21st.—Class III. (Inspector Gerrard).
Friday, Dec. 22nd.—Class IV. (Inspector P. O'Sullivan).

ATHLETIC SPORTS, JAN. 12, 1917.

Entries which close on Thursday, December 14th, should be addressed to Inspector C. Alvin, c/o. O'Brien's Room, Sergeant. All results are expected to keep this date open, and give their support to the Meeting. The Prizes are exhibited at Headquarters' Club.

APPOINTMENT.

Trooper 630 Arnold has undertaken the duties of D.S.P.'s Secretary during the absence on leave of P.O. Haskell.

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Sinking Fund Account £23,970,967

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11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
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8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
12.15 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
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EXCURSION TO MACAO.

SUNDAY, 17th DECEMBER.

The Company's Steamship "TAISHAN."

will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 8 A.M. and return from Macao at 3 P.M.

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12 noon and 2 p.m.

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THE DIARY.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

10.30 a.m.—Auction of Miscellaneous
Stores at Government Store, Balloon
Lane, Wanchai.
3 p.m.—Auction of Sheep Legs, Engines,
Steam Winch etc. at No. 4 Wharf,
H.K. K. W. & Co., Kowloon.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, Dec. 14:—
Prince Albert's birthday (1895).
9.30 p.m.—Auction of Irish Goods
(Shirts, Towels, Cushions etc.) at
Messrs. Hughes and Houghton.
9.30 p.m.—Congregation at the Hong-
kong University.

FRIDAY, Dec. 15:—
Noon—Extraordinary Meeting of the
Green Island Cement Co. Ltd.
Matinee for Ladies' Championship,
R. H. K. Golf Club.

SATURDAY, Dec. 16:—
Volunteers v. Reserves at
Kowloon.

SUNDAY, Dec. 17:—
9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by "S.
Tahiti".

FAL 16, SAT. 18 & MON. DEC. 18:—
9 p.m.—A. D. C. Performances of
"Kismet" in aid of "Star and
Garter" Fund.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20:—
Prince George's birthday (1905).
9.30 p.m.—Auction of Xmas Toys and
Crackers at Messrs. Hughes and
Houghton.

4.30 p.m.—Matinee Performance of
"Kismet".

THURSDAY, Dec. 21:—
9 p.m.—Extra Performance of
"Kismet".

SAT. 23, SUN. 24 & MON. DEC. 25:—
Bogey Competition at Fanling.

MONDAY, Dec. 25:—
Public Holiday.

TUESDAY, Dec. 26:—
10 a.m.—Winter "Bisley" at Stone-
cutters.

10 a.m.—Mixed Foursome Competition
at Fanling.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27:—
11 a.m.—Auction of Salvaged Cargo ex-
s.s. "Walley" at the To Kwa Wa
Godowns and Kowloon Godowns.

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PEACE TERMS?

IMPORTANT STATEMENT TO REICHSTAG EXPECTED.

APPROVED BY VIENNA, SOFIA AND
CONSTANTINOPLE.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 11.

A sitting of the Reichstag has been
unexpectedly convened for to-morrow.
It will be the most remarkable sit-
ting since the outbreak of the war and
one of historical importance.

Members, including combatants, have
been summoned telegraphically by Dr.
Bethmann-Hollweg from Headquarters.
The Chancellor has received the Federal
Ministers and invited the Neutral Minis-
ters to meet him.

The Foreign Secretary has received
the Party leaders and Party meetings
were held in the forenoon.
The Governments at Vienna, Sofia
and Constantinople have approved the
Chancellor's statement, the
nature of which is at present un-
known, but it is assumed to relate
to Peace terms.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Exchange opened this morning at
2s. 4 1/2-16d. on demand and went
up as eighth later in the day.

The mail dispatched from Lon-
don via Siberia for Hongkong on the
12th ult. was received per s.s.
Cyclone to-day.

Throughout the year there have
been only thirty-eight cases in the
Colony of Hongkong of plague (seven
imported) but all but one case proved
fatal.

An American contemporary reports
that Mrs. Calhoun, widow of William J.
Calhoun, formerly Minister to China, is
leaving the United States for France to
volunteer for Red Cross work.

Four hundred silver dollars weigh-
ed down and drowned a Chinese cook
yesterday. He was stepping from the
s.s. "Wai-yang" into a sampan and missed
his footing. The body has not yet been
recovered.

A Peking telegram mentions a
report that the Government is consider-
ing the advisability of cancelling the
alleged crime of Liang Shih Yi (who
was Yuan Shih Kai's Secretary) and of
inviting him to come to Peking to assist
the Government. Mr. Liang Shih Yi,
we believe, is at present residing in
Hongkong.

R. S. McKelvie, stationed at Antau
in the New Territories, met with a serious
accident yesterday while riding his motor
cycle. He was on the Castle Peak Road
and came into collision with a bridge.
He was thrown and sustained a
serious rupture in the lower abdomen.
Subsequently he was brought to Hong-
kong and sent to the Government Civil
Hospital. His condition showed some
improvement this morning.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

The amount of water in the storage
reservoirs of the island on December 1st
was 328.90 millions of gallons, as com-
pared with 654.96 millions of gallons on
the corresponding date last year; while
the consumption for the month of Nov-
ember averaged 17.3 gallons per head per
day against 14.9 in the corresponding
month last year. This difference is due
to the fact that during the whole of
November last year the water supply in
the rider main districts was given only
by street fountains, whereas this year
the service to houses in this district
was not disconnected until November
13th.
The Kowloon gravitation reservoir
was 4 ft. below overflow on December
1st. Last year on the same date it was
1 ft. 6 in. below.

THE MAGISTRACY.

INACCURATE PERMIT.

A DODGE TO DEFRAUD SHIPPING
COMPANIES.

This morning at the Police Court a
Chinese leather merchant was proceeded
against on two summonses for wrongly
stating the amount of leather to be ex-
ported for which he had applied for a
permit.

Mr. J. D. Lloyd, Assistant Superin-
tendant of Imports and Exports, pro-
secuted.

Mr. Gardiner, for the defence, pleaded
guilty and said that there was no desire
on the part of leather merchants to
wilfully supply wrong information. The
custom was to buy a large quantity of
leather in rolls and when they applied
for permits they made rough estimates
of the weight. In the first case he
knew there was a discrepancy of 30
piculs but in the other it was only three-
and-a-half piculs. There would have
been no difficulty in obtaining a permit
for the whole amount to be exported,
and it simply amounted to a wrong
calculation.

Mr. Lloyd pointed out that the
object of understating the weight was
that the shipping Company accepted the
weight given on the permit as that on
which freight should be charged, and
therefore those people got on board
more leather than was stated and ship-
ped a percentage free.

Mr. Melbourne observed that that was
a matter for the Shipping Companies.

Mr. Lloyd agreed, adding that it was
very important that the authorities
should know exactly how much leather
was being exported and to where it was
going. There had been several warn-
ings issued.

Mr. Melbourne imposed a fine of \$25
on each of the two summonses, remark-
ing that the maximum fine was \$5,000.

MISSING WIRE SCREEN.

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor this morn-
ing had another wire gauze screen stolen
from their office and this time the thief
was caught. The defendant was in the
act of cutting out the screen when he
was arrested and on being taken
to the station it was ascertained that he
had returned from banishment. The
Magistrate sentenced defendant to a
month's imprisonment for stealing the
screen and to twelve months for
disobeying the banishment order. This
is the third screen the complainants
have lost this year.

BLASTING ROCKS ON TO ROADWAY.

A DANGEROUS PRACTICE.

Mr. J. R. Wood this morning took a
serious view of a charge against a
Chinese stone blaster who was
summoned on two counts for not pro-
viding a covering for his blasting
operations. Mr. J. Wittell said that
he was walking along towards Quarry
Bay and when near Tsat Tse Mui
Police Station he heard a couple of loud
blasts and looked up and saw two huge
stones coming down the hill. He had
to run to get out of the way. The
stones came down on to the tramline and
bounced across into the sea. Just at
that time the whistle had gone to
relieve the men at the Sugar Refinery
and in two or three minutes there
would have been fifty or sixty men
across the same road.

The Magistrate observed that it was
a very serious matter, blasting rocks on
to the public road, and imposed a fine
of \$100.

DISHONEST SERVANT.

A Chinese employed by the China
and Japan Telephone Company was
before Mr. Melbourne this morning on
a charge of stealing five porous cells.
The defendant had been in the employ
of the Company for several years and
had been sent with some new cells to
replace the old ones at Tai-koo Dock.
He did not bring back the old cells as
he should have done and he was arrested
sometime after with the cells in his
possession. Defendant stated that he
left the old cells at Tai-koo Dock for a
week because they were spare and he
was taking them back when arrested.
Mr. Duncan Tolan for the Company said
that defendant had no right to leave the
cells at the Dock at all. Defendant
was sentenced to 14 days hard labour.

CLOSING SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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|------------------|---------|--------|
| Indes Def. | 129 1/2 | buyers |
| Bank | 129 1/2 | buyers |
| Harves | 64 | buyers |
| Docks | 121 | buyers |
| Shanghai Docks | 50 | b & s |
| Humphreys | 80 | buyers |
| Shanghai Cottons | 118 | buyers |
| Comms. | 117 1/2 | buyers |
| | 11 3/4 | sales |

SANITARY AFFAIRS.

TROUBLE OVER AN OFFENSIVE TRADE LICENSE.

The Sanitary Board this afternoon
were occupied some time in discuss-
ing an application from the Nordisk
Fjerfabrik, Ltd., for an offensive
trade license at Sham Shui Po.
When the application was first made
the Secretary of the Board pointed
out that the firm must first produce
a license under a Crown lease. The
license was produced and the matter
came before the Board and the
application was refused on the ground
that the building was opposite the
Chinese Public Dispensary. The
applicants then petitioned the
Colonial Secretary to the effect that
as the building was well outside the
limits in which offensive trades might
not be carried on they felt certain the
license would be granted and on that
account bought the building. The
petition pointed out that the dispen-
sary was a small one and the godown
was opposite a lime-stone factory and
would not harm the dispensary. The
Secretary had written a minute
in which he described interviews
with Mr. Jefferson, the firm's man-
ager. The Secretary pointed out
that if certain repairs were done there
would hardly be any objection to the
license by the Department but he
was unable to say what the Board
would decide.

The Chairman added that packing
was not an offensive trade but his
experience was that pressing in
feather factories was just as offensive
as any other of the work. The
feathers got all over the place. He
pointed out that the Board was asked
to reconsider their decision at the
last meeting and he moved the Board
adhere to its decision to refuse the
license.

This was agreed to.

A NEW SANITARY INSPECTOR.
The Board approved of the appoint-
ment of Mr. J. H. Simmon as second
class Sanitary Inspector.

Mr. Bowley ventured to think that
the Board ought to know more about
the candidate and any qualifications.
The H.S.D. said there was only
one applicant and Mr. Simmon had
no qualifications except a knowledge
of Chinese. The Board could not
expect qualified sanitarians on the
salaries they paid.

The Hon. Mr. W. Chatham said
it was not a question of picking and
choosing their men; it was a ques-
tion of taking what men they could
and the Board could consider itself
fortunate to get a man able to per-
form the duties.

LIME-KILNS AND A DISPENSARY.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley asked:
"What steps, if any, are being
taken by the Government to abate
the nuisance caused by the lime-kilns
opposite the Public Dispensary at
Samsui-po?"

The Head of the Sanitary Depart-
ment replied that every effort was
being made to clear away the lime-
kilns. An exchange of land had
been arranged and the buildings
would be removed early next year.

MARKET ILLUMINATION.

Regarding the illuminants at mar-
kets the Gas Co. had applied for
permission to supply gas to the stall
holders at Yau-mai vegetable and
fruit markets.

The H.S.D. had intimated that he
did not think that anything but
electric light should be permitted in
any market, as it was the only clean
and safe illuminant.

MAY ROAD CONVENIENCE.

A plan for a proposed water flushed
convenience for men and women near
May Road Tram Station was ap-
proved, the question of quarters
being left to the Government to
decide.

OTHER BUSINESS.

Application for permission to erect
six water closets of the Asiatic type
and six urinals at Nos. 106 to 112,
Connaught Road Central, and Nos.
207 to 225, Des Voeux Road Central,
Marine Lot No. 22, Praya Reclamation.
—Granted conditionally.

Application for permission to erect
nine extra water closets at Alexandra
Buildings, Island Lot No. 1725 sec-
tion A.—Granted conditionally.

Application for permission to erect
one water closet and to change the
position of one water closet of the
tough type at No. 1, Connaught
Road Central, Marine Lot No. 275.
—Adjudged.

Application for an offensive trade
license at No. 12, Smithfield, Island
Lot No. 1296.—Granted.

Application for an offensive trade
license at No. 183, Portland Street,
Kowloon, Island Lot No. 831.—
Granted.

THE CONSORTIUM AND THE AMERICAN LOAN.

(With The Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, Dec. 11.

With regard to the American Loan
the Consortium has arrived at the
following decisions:

- (1) As the American Loan contract
for \$5,000,000 has been signed,
they will treat it as a short-
period loan.
- (2) That no further negotiations
will be entered into respecting
the further loan of \$25,000,000,
unless the Chinese Government
furnishes satisfactory proof that
the money will be used for in-
dustrial purposes only.
- (3) That the Chinese Government
must decide within the next
two months if it is to take up
the second big loan with the
Syndicate.

According to reliable information,
says the Peking Daily News, the Ministry
of Finance on the 30th ult. made the
following reply to the repeated protest
of the Quadruple Group against the
conclusion of the American Industrial
Loan:—

"We beg to acknowledge receipt of the
interpellations of the Quadruple Group.
The Reorganization Loan Contract of
1913 was signed between the Chinese
Government and the Quadruple Group;
but we cannot regard present Quadruple
Group, which has excluded German
Banks from the original Consortium, as
the same Quadruple Group. Therefore
the preference of the administrative
loan has lost its effect. Consequently
China is free to contract a loan from
any member of the Consortium or from
any other party. We desire to point
out that as stipulated in its agreement
the present American Loan was con-
cluded on the understanding that the
proceeds thereof should be employed
for the specie payment and reserve of
the Bank of China, and other industrial
purposes. Therefore there is no ground
for a protest."

Being not satisfied with the above
reply, the Quadruple Group on the 2nd
inst. addressed the following to the
Chinese Government:—

"The Quadruple Group is similar in
nature to the Quintuple Group. The
exclusion of German Banks was required
by war circumstances, and it does not
mean any permanent change to the
Consortium. The exclusion of German
Banks was notified to the Chinese Gov-
ernment, which, expressing its sympathy
in the matter, and commenced to
negotiate an administrative loan of
\$10,000,000 on the basis laid down in
former Loan Agreements. This Con-
sortium was engaged in making various
preparations, when it was surprised to
learn that the Chinese Government,
which made a definite promise before,
has now offered excuses with an object
to break its word. This Consortium
will recognize that the American Loan
is a political one, and our reasons have
been already set forth in the previous
communications."

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

HOW THE WAR HAS AFFECTED LOCAL INDUSTRIES.

In his annual report on the British
North Borneo Customs Department for
1915 Mr. M. M. Clark, the commission-
er, writes:

"Ice sales decreased, the Singapore
steamers now calling having less cold
storage capacity than the boats of the
N. B. L. A small ice plant was started
at Lahad Datu which stopped all the
East Coast business. Aerated water
business fell off. The factory opera-
tions were hampered by lack of water.
The soap factory turned out a better
article and better business ensued, 865
boxes being made as against 359 in 1914.
The local demand was a record and 158
boxes were exported to the Philippine
Islands. The local sugar plantation
produced 992 piculs against 579 piculs
in 1914, all of which was consumed
locally. Coconut oil factories had the
same output as the year before. Locally
made cigars dropped to 65,300 piculs
from 205,900 piculs. The salt factory paid
excise duty on 1,640 piculs of salt as
against 544 piculs in 1914. Contractors
complained of the price of imported build-
ing material having nearly doubled.
Communication with Hongkong and
Singapore was well maintained and
the Straits Steamship Company and the
Indo-China S. N. Company's vessels.
Local shipping was reinforced by the
steamer Kinabalu for the Sabah Steam-
ship Company, a new vessel built
especially for local trade. The set-back
that trade has received has had an
adverse effect on local business, but this
could not have been foreseen when this
vessel was laid down, and when normal
times return she will no doubt be fully
occupied. Taking into consideration the
trade of Sandakan as a whole and the con-
ditions existing during the year under
review, it can only be called satisfactory,
since things might have been infinitely
worse."

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WHEN your child has whooping
cough, be careful to keep the
child loose and expectoration easy by
giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as
may be required. This remedy will also
liquify the tough mucus and make it
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successfully in many epidemics and as
containing no harmful or poisonous
ingredients it is perfectly safe for use
by all children and the weak.

SPORTING.

GOLF.

BOGEY COMPETITION.

A Cup has kindly been presented for
a Bogey Competition at Fanling on
December 23rd, 24th and 25th. Entrance
Fee \$2 each Round. Players may take
out as many cards as they like during
the three days. Proceeds to be given to
War Charities.

MIXED FOURSOME COMPETITION.

Two Cups have kindly been presented
for a Mixed Foursome Competition on
Boxing Day. 18 holes Medal Play under
Handicaps. Entrance Fee \$5 per couple.
Proceeds to be given to War Charities.
Players select their own opponents.
Entries close at Fanling December 26th,
10 a.m.

RIFLE LEAGUE SHOOTING.

H. K. VOLUNTEER RESERVES v. ROYAL
ENGINEERS.

This match was shot off at the King's
Park Range on the 10th inst. and result-
ed in a win for the Reserves by 53
points. All the H.K.V.R. team used
aperture sights, while only those of the
R.E. team marked with an asterisk used
them.

RESULTS.

| | 200 | 500 | 600 | Tot. |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| A. Jenkins | 31 | 33 | 33 | 97 |
| R. McLennan | 31 | 33 | 33 | 97 |
| E. Cyprien | 32 | 33 | 33 | 98 |
| D. Tolson | 32 | 33 | 33 | 98 |
| A. Leach | 32 | 33 | 33 | 98 |
| G. H. M. Sanderman | 32 | 33 | 33 | 98 |
| B. W. Gray | 34 | 33 | 33 | 100 |
| E. W. Dawson | 37 | 33 | 33 | 103 |

Total 668
Less deduction of
47 for Aperture
Sights 31
Net 677

R. E's.

| | 200 | 500 | 600 | Tot. |
|----------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Q. S. M. Black | 29 | 37 | 30 | 96 |
| Egt. Coxon | 28 | 30 | 38 | 96 |
| L. O. M. S. Williams | 30 | 33 | 37 | 100 |
| L. O. Allen | 29 | 37 | 34 | 100 |
| Capt. Grimes | 24 | 33 | 43 | 100 |
| Lieut. Wahl | 18 | 29 | 53 | 100 |
| Capt. Ramskill | 18 | 29 | 53 | 100 |
| Sgt. Offord | 30 | 19 | 51 | 100 |

Total 994

REUTER'S AGENCY.

THE LATEST LIST OF SHARE- HOLDERS.

"Considerable public interest, remarks
the 'Daily Mail' of November 7, has
been aroused by the announcement that
negotiations are in progress for the sale
of Reuter's Telegram Company, which,
registered in 1865, has become known to
people in all parts of the world by reason
of its service of foreign news telegrams.
According to the Somerset House
register, the capital of the company is
£500,000 in £10 shares. The directors
are:

The Hon. Mark Francis Napier (68
shares),
The Hon. Edmund William Parker (68
shares),
Mr. George Grinnell-Milne (100 shares),
and
Mr. Gerald Walton Williams (100 shares).
The following are among the share-
holders and their holdings, the names
being copied exactly as they appear in
the latest register, dated June 14 last:—

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------|-------|
| Barron Herbert J. de Bomer | Shares | 1,434 |
| Baroness Helene de Z. de | | |
| Nyveset | 2,508 | |
| Mr. Henry Whitlow | 245 | |
| Mr. Charles W. Steadman | 330 | |
| Mr. Lewis Harcourt, M.P. | 156 | |
| Lieut.-Colonel Henry Walker | 63 | |
| Hon. Lucy E. Meade | 139 | |
| Marquis of Bristol | 567 | |
| Sir Robert W. B. Jardine | 350 | |
| Lord Bishop of Salisbury | 56 | |
| Mr. Gerald E. Winter | 56 | |
| Mr. Frederic Harrison | 100 | |
| Deutsche Bank (Berlin) | 244 | |
| Col. Alfred D. Miller | 150 | |
| Swiss Bankverein | 166 | |
| Sir John G. Cairne and Mr. | | |
| Ernest Harvey, Bank of | | |
| England | | |
| Mr. Max Mitchell | 328 | |
| Mr. Ezra Anzurat and Mr. | | |
| Jacques Ezra Anzurat | 850 | |
| Mr. Louis C. Du Cane | 100 | |
| Ernest Feinstadman | 103 | |
| Hon. Harry L. W. Lawson | 508 | |
| Mr. Cristobal de Morriote | 200 | |
| Marquis van Raalte | 228 | |
| Asa, Limited | 1,000 | |
| Rudolph A. Wolf | 156 | |
| Rudolf Lazarus | 100 | |
| Bochfort, Maguire | 100 | |
| Madame Eugene Murat | 898 | |
| Messrs. Friedrich A. and Hans | | |
| von Konig | 200 | |
| Oskar Meyer, Bank | 508 | |
| Bankweiner Bank | 118 | |
| Hon. Eduard von der Heydt | | |
| and Mr. Philip Rann | 648 | |
| Hans von Reittes, Vienna | 574 | |
| Louis Estermann | 95 | |
| Messrs. Walter E. Barnett and | | |
| Richard D. G. Du Cane | 458 | |
| Alfred Weiss, Amsterdam | 100 | |
| Richard Lieben, Vienna | 160 | |
| Samuel L. Washburn | 208 | |
| Roderick von | 408 | |
| Section der Disconto Gesells. | | |
| Bank | 85 | |
| The interest rate was found out | | |
| at 8.77 cent in the last fortnight | | |

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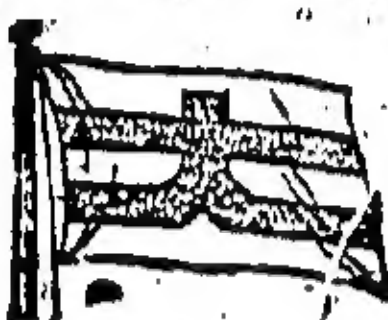
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|--|-------------------------------|--------------------|--|
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| LONDON & BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES | ROYARA Capt. H. R. HATHORN | Noon 22nd Dec. | Connecting at Colombo with Mail Steamer Mooltan. |
| SHANGHAI | SOMALI Capt. L. D. PINKNEY | about 30th Dec. | Direct Service. |
| SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE | NYANZA Capt. J. GAUNT | about 1st Jan. | Direct Service. |

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North American Line. For VICTORIA, SEATTLE AND TACOMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MANILA, NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.
"MEXICO MARU" Thursday, 28th Dec., at 3 p.m.

South American Line. For RIO DE JANEIRO, BUENOS AIRES, VIA SINGAPORE, DUBAN AND CAPE TOWN.
"KASADO MARU" Monday, 1st Jan., 1917, Noon.

Bombay Line. For BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE, PORTSWORTH, HAM, PENANG AND COLOMBO.
"MALAY MARU" Wednesday, 20th Dec., at 7 a.m.

Java Line. For MANILA, SANDAKAN, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMARANG, SOERABAYA AND MACASSAR.
"SHIBUORO MARU" Wednesday, 27th Dec., at Noon.

Formosan Line. For TAMSUI, KEELUNG, ANPING, TAKAO, VIA SWATOW, AND AMOY.
"JOSEPH MARU" Wednesday, 13th Dec., at 8 a.m.
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|------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
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|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

| FOR | STEAMERS | TO SAIL |
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| HONGKONG, SHANGHAI & HAIPHONG | SHANGHAI | Dec. 13, at 10 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI | SHANGHAI | Dec. 14, at 10 a.m. |
| SHANGHAI | SHANGHAI | Dec. 14, at 4 p.m. |
| SHANGHAI | SHANGHAI | Dec. 17, Daylight |
| SHANGHAI | SHANGHAI | Dec. 18, at 4 p.m. |
| SHANGHAI | SHANGHAI | Dec. 18, at 4 p.m. |
| SHANGHAI | SHANGHAI | Dec. 21, at 4 p.m. |

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| FOR | STEAMERS | TO SAIL |
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| SHANGHAI via SWATOW | CHOTSANG | WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13, Daylight |
| HAIPHONG | TAKSANG | FRIDAY, Dec. 15, at 7 a.m. |
| SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA | KUTSANG | FRIDAY, Dec. 15, at Noon |
| MANILA | LOONGSANG | SATURDAY, Dec. 16, at 3 p.m. |
| SHANGHAI | WINGSANG | THURSDAY, Dec. 21, Daylight |
| MANILA | TUESANG | SATURDAY, Dec. 23, at 3 p.m. |

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E. V. D. PARR, Acting Superintendent.

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TO LET

TO LET—FURNISHED.

3 MOUNTAIN VIEW, Peak.
Apply to— H. E. POLLOCK,
Princes Buildings,
Hongkong, Oct. 24, 1916. 1173

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& CO., LTD.
Hongkong, Sept. 1, 1916. 991

TO LET.

OFFICES, 2nd Floor, 58, George's
Buildings.
Apply to— SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Hongkong, April 7, 1916. 911

TO LET.

N. O. 41 Eglon Street.
Apply to— PERCY SMITH,
SETH AND FLEMING,
Hongkong, Oct. 21, 1916. 1197

TO LET.

N. J. 1, Canton Villas, Kowloon.
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MENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.
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TO LET.

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The Peak, 5 Rooms.
Apply to— J. W. C. B.
& Co., GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, Nov. 14, 1916. 1221

TO LET.

OFFICES on 1st Floor, No. 3 Queen's
Road Central, at present in the
possession of The China Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd.
Apply to— CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., Ltd.,
Hongkong, April 23, 1916. 99

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FOUR-ROOMED HOUSES in Gordon
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Kowloon.
Apply to— H. W. C. B.
& Co., GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, Nov. 34, 1916. 1221

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Hongkong, Nov. 34, 1916. 1221

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Road.
HOUSES in Broadwood and Moreton
Terraces.
No. 21 Wong Nei Chong Road.
HOUSES on Shamone, Canton.
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MENT AND AGENCY CO., Ltd.,
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Credita, 4 months sight ... 235
On New York—
On demand ... 55 1/2
Credita, 60 days sight ... 55 1/2
On Bombay—
Wire ... 174 1/2
On Calcutta—
Wire ... 174 1/2
On Singapore—
On demand ... 111 1/2
On Manila—
On demand ... 111 1/2
On Shanghai—
On demand ... 111 1/2
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Chinese Copper Coin ... 1 1/2
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Chinese Bank Cash ... 4 1/2
Hongkong Bank Cash ... 4 1/2

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

December 11.
Kankow, British str., 1,224, R. Lewis,
Bangkok Dec. 1. Rice, Timber and Gen-
eral.—BUTZEL & SWIN.
Toson, Japan, Japanese str., 1,145, M.
Hanyashi, Bangkok Dec. 6. Rice,
Timber and General.—CHINESE.
Tokushima, Japan, Japanese str., 3,757,
S. Yamashita, Manila Dec. 3. General.—
N. Y. K.
Shinku, Japan, Japanese steamer, 1,894,
Ikura, Moji Dec. 3. Coal.—SUZUKI &
Co.
Manapouri, British str., 1,945,
Saigon Dec. 6. Rice.—CHINESE.
December 12.
Toson, Japan, Japanese str., 4,390, K.
Soyuz, Nagasaki Dec. 3. General.—N. Y. K.
Cyclot, British steamer, 2,782, Jones,
Shanghai Dec. 8. General.—BUTZEL &
SWIN.
Zakou, British steamer, 977, R. A.
Soyuz, Shanghai Dec. 8. General.—JARDINE, MATTHEW &
CO., LTD.
Loonyang, British str., 1,093, Leck,
Manila Dec. 8. General.—JARDINE, MATTHEW &
CO., LTD.
Choyang, British str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

December 12.
Amakusa, Japan, for Swatow & Formosa.
Shantung, for Canton.
Dorina, British, for Vladivostok.
Chiyon, for Swatow and Bangkok.
Chiyon, for Shanghai.
Chiyon, for Hongkong.
Choyang, for Swatow and Shanghai.
Nanyo, for Moji.
Gaiwan, for Karatsu and Seattle.
Tango, for Manila and Australia.
Lachow, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per Tango, from Japan: for
Hongkong, Mrs. C. Clark, Miss N.
Cory, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mima, Miss E.
Macdonald, Mrs. M. N. Penney, Mr. and
Mrs. Palmer and child, Mrs. Martin and
baby, Mr. and Mrs. J. Spittles, Miss E. D.
Remedio, Mrs. U. Mikasa and baby, Mrs.
Y. Sakai.
DEPARTED.
Per Venezuela, for San Francisco, Mr.
W. M. Jack, Mr. J. A. Macaulay, Mr.
A. A. McLearn, Mr. and Mrs. A. N.
Derwin, Mr. A. B. Kitzmiller, Mr. F. C.
Folger, Mr. C. Baumann, Mr. and Mrs. A.
B. Dexter, Mr. A. B. Torquart, Mr. L. E.
Ferry, Mrs. H. Platt, 3 children and nurse,
Mr. S. Schaffer, Mr. W. G. E. Murphy.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Kankow, from
Bangkok reports: Strong North to N.E.
gales, rough sea throughout.
The Japanese steamer Tokushima, from
Manila reports: Experienced high
sea, N.E. fresh breeze.

Temperature.

Hongkong, December 12, 1916.
BAROMETER 9 A.M. ... 30.12
Do 1 P.M. ... 30.09
Do 4 P.M. ... 30.06
THERMOMETER 9 A.M. ... 82
Do 1 P.M. ... 82
Do 4 P.M. ... 82
Do (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. ... 58
Do (Wet bulb) 1 P.M. ... 58
Do (Wet bulb) 4 P.M. ... 58
Do Maximum ... 82
Do Minimum (over night) ... 58

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Toson, Japan.

INWARD MAILS.

MANILA—Per s.s. Toson, Dec. 12.
SHANGHAI (London Nov. 15, via Siberia),
Toson, Japan, due Dec. 14.
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Toson, Japan, Dec. 15.

Registered and Parcel Mails close 15
minutes before the time given
below unless otherwise stated.

The Services to Germany, Austria,
Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are
suspended.

Correspondence addressed to enemy
subjects in China, Siam, Liberia, Portu-
guese East Africa, Persia and Morocco can-
not be transmitted.

Mails will close for—

SWATOW, AMOY, FORMOSA, VIA
TAMSAI & KEELUNG.
Per Toson, Japan, at 7 a.m., on Wednes-
day, the 13th Dec.

HONGKONG.

Per Toson, Japan, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday,
the 13th Dec.

PORT BAYARD & HAIPHONG.

Per Toson, Japan, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday,
the 13th Dec.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, AUSTRALIA,
TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND &
NEW GUINEA, VIA THURSDAY
ISLAND.

Per Toson, Japan, Registration at
9.15 a.m. Letters at 10 a.m., on
Wednesday, the 13th Dec.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN
VIA "NAGASAKI, HONOLULU,
UNITED STATES, CENTRAL &
SOUTH AMERICA & CANADA VIA
SAN FRANCISCO, UNITED KING-
DOM & CANADA.

(Europe via Siberia).
Per Toson, Japan, Registration at
10.15 a.m. Letters at 11 a.m., on
Wednesday, the 13th Dec.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW.
Per Toson, Japan, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday,
the 13th Dec.

HOIHOW, PAHOOT & HAIPHONG.
Per Toson, Japan, at 9 a.m., on Thursday,
the 14th Dec.

JAPAN VIA NAGASAKI, CANADA,
UNITED STATES, SOUTH AME-
RICA, VIA SAN FRANCISCO &
UNITED KINGDOM VIA CANADA.
Per Toson, Japan, at 11 a.m., on Thurs-
day, the 14th Dec.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.
(Europe via Siberia).
Per Toson, Japan, Registration at 1.15 p.m.
Letters at 2 p.m., on Thursday,
the 14th Dec.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN
VIA "NAGASAKI, HONOLULU,
UNITED STATES, CENTRAL &
SOUTH AMERICA & CANADA VIA
SAN FRANCISCO, UNITED KING-
DOM & CANADA.

(Europe via Siberia).
Per Toson, Japan, Registration at 1.15 p.m.
Letters at 2 p.m., on Thursday,
the 14th Dec.

BATAVIA, OBERBOY, SAMARANG,
SOERABAYA, MACASSAR, BALIK-
PAPAN & PORT MORESBY (via
Batavia).
Per Toson, Japan, at 2 p.m., on Thurs-
day, the 14th Dec.

STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, AUS-
TRALIA, WESTERN AUSTRALIA,
INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT & EUROPE.
Per Toson, Japan, Registration at 10.15 a.m.
Letters at 11 a.m., on Friday, the
15th Dec.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Thurs-
day, the 14th Dec., at 6 p.m.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN
VIA KOREA.
Per Toson, Japan, at 9 a.m., on Satur-
day, the 16th Dec.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.
Per Toson, Japan, at 5 p.m., on Saturday,
the 16th Dec.

SWATOW.
Per Toson, Japan, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday,
the 19th Dec.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN
VIA MOJI, VICTORIA & SEATTLE.
Per Toson, Japan, at 11 a.m., on Tues-
day, the 19th Dec.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.
(Europe via Siberia).
Per Toson, Japan, Registration at 2.15 p.m.
Letters at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the
19th Dec.

(Shanghai Chi. P.O. Saturday, 23rd Dec.)
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND &
NEW GUINEA VIA THURSDAY
ISLAND.

Per Toson, Japan, at 9 a.m., on Monday, the
20th Dec.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN
VIA NAGASAKI, VICTORIA, B.C.,
VANCOUVER, UNITED STATES,
CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA &
UNITED KINGDOM VIA CANADA.

(Europe via Siberia).
Per Toson, Japan, Registration at
2.15 a.m. Letters at 10.30 a.m., on
Thursday, the 28th Dec.
(Shanghai Chi. P.O. Saturday, 30th Dec.)
*Deposited correspondence only.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 12th at 11.30.—No returns from
Japanese stations. Pressure has in-
creased slightly over N.E. China, and
decreased slightly over S.W. China and
the Visayas. It is nearly stationary else-
where.

A depression has formed to the east
of the Visayas.
Moderate to fresh monsoon is indicated
along the south-east coast of China,
and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on the 13th December—
1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: N.E.
winds, fresh; fine.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds,
strong.

3.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Lamock: The same as
No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Hainan: The same as
No. 1.

OFFICIAL NIGHT IN DECEMBER.

The following table shows the Stan-
dard Time at which Official Night ends
and begins during the month of Decem-
ber, 1916:

| Date. | Ends. | Begin. |
|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Dec. 12th. | 6.41 a.m. | 5.31 p.m. |
| " 13th. | 6.42 " | 5.52 " |
| " 14th. | 6.43 " | 5.53 " |
| " 15th. | 6.43 " | 5.53 " |
| " 16th. | 6.43 " | 5.53 " |
| " 17th. | 6.43 " | 5.53 " |
| " 18th. | 6.44 " | 5.54 " |
| " 19th. | 6.44 " | 5.54 " |
| " 20th. | 6.45 " | 5.55 " |
| " 21st. | 6.45 " | 5.55 " |
| " 22nd. | 6.45 " | 5.55 " |
| " 23rd. | 6.45 " | 5.55 " |
| " 24th. | 6.47 " | 5.57 " |
| " 25th. | 6.48 " | 5.58 " |
| " 26th. | 6.48 " | 5.58 " |
| " 27th. | 6.48 " | 5.58 " |
| " 28th. | 6.49 " | 5.59 " |
| " 29th. | 6.50 " | 6.00 " |
| " 30th. | 6.50 " | 6.00 " |

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,
HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER
REPORT.

DECEMBER 12, 1916. a.m.

| Station. | Time. | Barometer at Sea Level. | Thermometer. Temperature. | Humidity. | Direction of Wind. | Force of Wind. | State of Sky. | Remarks. |
|-----------|-------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------|
| Victoria | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Neiwan | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Hatoh | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Yokohama | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Manila | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Shanghai | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Amoy | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Swatow | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Keelung | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Formosa | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Japan | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| U.S.A. | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Europe | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Africa | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Australia | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| India | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Aden | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Egypt | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Europe | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Africa | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Australia | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| India | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Aden | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| Egypt | 5.30 | 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 12, 1916.
1. BAROMETER, reduced to 33 degrees
Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in
inches, tenths and hundredths.
2. THERMOMETER, in the shade, in de-
grees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of satu-
ration, the humidity of air saturated with
moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to
Beaufort Scale.
6. STATE OF WEATHER, in blue sky, c
detached clouds, drizzling rain, fog,
gloomy, hail, lightning, overcast,
passing showers, equal rain, snow,
thunder, visibility, dew (wet).
7. RAIN, in inches, tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

| Barometer | Thermometer | Humidity | Direction of Wind | Force of Wind | Weather | Rain |
|-----------|-------------|----------|-------------------|---------------|---------|------|
| 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
| 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |
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| 30.12 | 82 | 88 | SW | 10 | b | |

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 12, 1916.
*Deposited correspondence only.

SHARE REPORT.

DECEMBER 12TH, 1916.

| Stock and paid up Value. | Q'ties 11.30 A.M. | Last Dividend and date. | Return based on last year's div. |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| BANKS. | | | |
| Hongkong & Shanghai | \$125 \$730 | 22.5 interim | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| MARINE INSURANCE. | | | |
| Canton | \$50 \$400 | \$7 final a/c 1914 and interim of \$18 a/c 1915. Final div. of 15% making 27 1/2% a/c 1916 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| North China | \$25 T. 153 | Final of \$30 and bonus \$10 a/c 1914. Interim of \$30 a/c 1915. Final of \$15 making \$15 for 1914 and int. of \$4 on account 1916 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| Union | \$100 \$925 | \$7 and bonus \$3 for 1914. \$27 for 1915 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| Yangtze | \$30 \$385 | \$7 and bonus \$3 for 1914. \$27 for 1915 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| FIRE INSURANCE. | | | |
| China Fire | \$30 \$155 nom. | \$7 and bonus \$3 for 1914. \$27 for 1915 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| Hongkong Fire | \$50 \$915 | \$7 and bonus \$3 for 1914. \$27 for 1915 | 6 1/2 p.c. |
| SHIPPING. | | | |